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The Officers and Members of Columbia Lodge No. 2, are requested to meet at the Hall, Douglas street, on Tuesday, 25th inst., at 3 p.m., to attend the funeral of the wife of our Brother, R. J. Russell.

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SAN FRANCISCO, May 24.—Private letters from Honolulu say that the Dole government has decided to give to the British company the concession for the ocean cable. The Hawaiian government, grown weary of the lukewarm attitude of the United States on the cable question, has closed with the British proposals. Recently the British war vessel Pelican left Sydney to make a survey of Fanning Island, and the Wild Swan recently left Honolulu to survey cable routes around that island, which will be the main landing place for the cable.

TACOMA'S LONE HIGHWAYMAN.

The Man Who Held Up the Street Car Not Yet Recognized.

TACOMA, May 23.—The body of the highwapman who held up the passengers on the Tacoma company's tramcar has been viewed by thousands at the morgue. He was at first thought to have been Jack Case, who robbed the Southern Pacific train near Roseberg, Or., in July, 1895, but a description of Case telegraphed from Portland does not tally. Capt. Thompson and George H. Smith, of Clover Creek, both say that the dead man looks like Philip James, son of Dr. James, an old Hudson Bay resident of Steilacoom in early days. A shingle manufacturer named Prestiss says the dead man worked for him a short time ago.

Superintendent Davie of the tramway company, who killed the desperado after the later had wounded two of the passengers, says of the affair:

"Don't you know, I believe that fellow, when he jumped on the car, took me for a green hand that was being broken in. Why I think so is the way in which he ordered me to stop the car from backing down hill. When he ordered me to throw up my hands I felt like taking a chance with him then, but my discretion conquered my valor, and up they went. He kept his eye on me, though, until he went to work relieving the passengers, when he took it off several times. I watched my chance, and when he started in on Hacker I pulled my revolver, and, slipping up the aisle, took aim over Hacker's shoulder and fired. When Hacker saw the gun he jumped to one side, and this, I think, disconcerted my aim. Well, the rest you know.

"When I first went to the back end of the car I thought I would let him go on and do his work, as a battle between us might result in the death of one of the lady passengers or some of the men, and then I thought of the badges I wear, figuring that if he went through me and saw the officer's badges he would kill me on the spot. So I just went at him, and, as fortune decreed, I got him.

AN INGLORIOUS END.

A World Famed Swimmer Meets His Fate in the Stockton Baths.

STOCKTON, May 23.—Charles Cavill, the Australian champion swimmer, who recently swam around the Seal rock at the Cliff House and across Golden Gate, lost his life last night while swimming in Jackson's baths here. Cavill was first thrown into the water, which is seven feet deep, in a sack, and he cut himself out. He then went in and undressed in the water. Another trick was to lie on the bottom of the tank and write on a slate in answer to talking, which was done successfully.

The last act was to try to break his world's record of staying down longer than five minutes and five seconds. To do this the swimmer used a weighted tank or barrel, which is placed in the water during the day and left with sufficient air for the exhibitor to breathe for several minutes. Cavill dived down and went under this tank as he had planned, and became suffocated, Kahn thinks. Natural gas, which is said not to be poisonous, comes up in the water at Jackson's baths, and that was under the tank or barrel when Cavill thought it was good air. When Cavill got under the tank and breathed the gas he lost consciousness, Kahn thinks, and was suffocated, but not drowned.

When Cavill had been under six minutes Kahn realized that something was wrong, and he dived for him. Kahn says he swam about for a few seconds and then went to the tank and struck one of Cavill's legs. He grabbed it gave it a pull, and Cavill came toward him with a rush, but he was a heavy man and Kahn could not raise him to the surface. Kahn's first thought when he struck the foot was that Cavill had kicked him, but he saw almost immediately that the man was dead. Then he got under the body, and pushed it to the surface. Kahn breathed into the body, and worked with many others and doctors to bring life to the body, but no sign of consciousness was seen.

Charles Cavill the noted swimmer was born in England, and came from a family of famous swimmers. When 11 years old he commenced his racing career, and won over 100 races. During that time he saved twenty-one persons from drowning at sea, and he held medals from the Royal Humane Society, the National Shipwreck Society, and the Shipwrecked Mariners' Society.

He came here recently from Australia, and immediately acquired notoriety by swimming across the Golden Gate and around Seal Rocks, feats that no swimmer had previously accomplished.

NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Queen's Weather and a Brilliant Demonstration—A Yankee Poacher Asking Free Pardon.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, May 24.—Queen's Birthday at the Capital passed off with unusual eclat. The weather, which at first was threatening, after a short shower turned out beautifully fine. In the morning there was trooping of the colors by the Foot Guards in the presence of the Governor-General and thousands of spectators. In the afternoon the Capitals played the Shamrocks for a trophy, and beat them six games to two. To-night a state reception at Government House was attended by nearly fifteen hundred people. His Excellency to-day cabled birthday congratulations to Her Majesty.

The Washington government, through the Imperial authorities, have asked Canada to remit the penalties imposed on the Yankee fishing schooner "Gerring," confiscated for poaching. The feeling here is strongly against granting the request.

SABBATH IN TORONTO.

The Sunday Cars Took Thousands to Church—Mr. Speer's Farewell.

TORONTO, May 24.—Sunday cars ran for the first time in the history of this city yesterday, the company giving a half service on the main lines and less on others. Many came out on the streets to see the first cars and give demonstrations of approval. The cars were well filled, many using them for going to church. The receipts of the day will be from $2,000 to $3,000, which will be given to the charities.

Rev. J. C. Speer, who goes to Victoria, B.C., in a day or two, preached his farewell sermon at Broadway Tabernacle last night.

The Queen's Birthday was loyally celebrated here. The chief attraction was the Jockey Club races at the Woodbine track. The Queen's Own and 48th Highlanders both spent the holiday out of town, the latter at Brantford and the Queen's Own at Windsor. The 13th of Hamilton visited Kingston. The 25th Elgin Battalion spent the day in Sarnia.

The frost of Friday did much damage to fruit in Western Ontario.

At the lacrosse grounds this afternoon the Toronto team defeated Montreal by 7 to 1.

The second day's racing at Woodbine was largely attended, and good sport resulted. The winners were: Grand Stand purse, Seagram's Morpheus; Selling race, half-mile, McGuigan's Mordeceil; Toronto cup, Seagram's Tragedian; Redcoat steeplechase, Campbell's Thorncliffe; Ontario plate, Hendry's Fiddle; Woodbine steeplechase, Phalen's Lionheart.

GREAT FIRE AT HALIFAX.

Narrow Escape of Customers and Employees—The Hudson Bay Expedition.

HALIFAX, May 24.—The steamer Diana, which is to carry the Govefnment's Hudson Bay expedition, and is now here fitting for the trip, will sail about the middle of this week. Commander Wakeham, of the Marine and Fisheries Department, will have charge of the whole expedition, and has been instructed on his arrival at Hudson Bay straits to immediately proceed up the sound and plant the Union Jack. He is to give formal notice to the natives that all the country is British territory, and to use his best endeavors toward the preventing of smuggling and the enforcement of customs laws.

Clayton & Son's clothing house, the largest in the Maritime Provinces, has been destroyed by fire. About 100 customers and nearly as many employees were in the store at the time, and many had narrow escapes, the fire spreading with remarkable rapidity throughout the whole establishment. The loss is $150,000, and the insurance $90,000. Trinity church and Macdonald's foundry, adjoining, sustained considerable damage. Several firemen were injured, but not seriously.

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THE TWENTY-FOURTH.

It Was the Quietest Queen's Birthday Seen in Victoria for Many Years.

All the Business Places Were Closed and People Enjoyed a General Holiday.

It has been many years since Victoria saw so quiet a holiday as yesterday's observance of the Queen's Birthday. The business portion of the city was dead; everyone was away—some on picnics, others at the lacrosse match or out boating, or engaged in other recreations suggested by individual inclination. For the first time in eighteen years the thunder of the royal salute from a warship's guns was not heard in Esquimalt harbor, for all the men-of-war are away just now, the Imperieuse at Comox and the Comus and Pheasant in Departure Bay.

The small boy who finds it very hard to crawl to school in time on Monday morning was up long before 6 o'clock, and the packing of lunch baskets, clattering of carriages as they drove off with their merry parties of old and young, and the sound of preparation and departure made the early morning hours decidedly wakeful.

Flags waved everywhere on the breeze, even the dilapidated big one on Beacon Hill spread itself, and tried to look as if the huge rents were only ventilators for the hot weather.

Down in the harbor the vessels of every kind, big and small, had their bunting spread, from the big steamers of the C.P.N. fleet down to the little yachts. The boathouses along the waterfront had on their gayest looks, and did a rushing business, for there was no lack of families who had boats for the day to make a picnic trip up to the Gorge.

The big attraction of the day in town was the lacrosse match, and everyone who had not left town for the day seemed to go to the Caledonia grounds in the afternoon to see the first game of the season.

The band concert and the Victoria Gun Club tournament out at Oak Bay drew their share of people, and in the evening the fireworks proved a great attraction.

The prevailing quietness in town even reached the lock-up, where Jailer Mitten sat in his chair "all by his lonesome." "Bedad, I'm dyin' with enwee," he exclaimed, "as the Frenchies used to say in Montreal, where I was on the foorce onct. Not a blessed drunk even have I seen this afternoon to cheer me up, and all the beautiful cells just as clane and invitin' as soap and water can make 'em. Never since I have been in Victoria have I seen the Twenty-Fourth go by before widout wan or two locked up just to keep 'em out of mischief."

AT NANAIMO.

The Yacht Race in Dispute—Home Team Wins Firemen's Race.

NANAIMO, May 24.—(Special)—In the celebration sports to-day Nanaimo won the firemen's races. Nanaimo was also ahead in the yacht race, but there is a protest against the leading yacht on account of the time limit, the course not being covered inside of the two hours. The race may have to be sailed over again.

MANITOBA AFFAIRS.

Bank of Montreal Managers Transferred—Damage by Wind.

WINNIPEG, May 24.—Marquis Ito and suite passed through the city to-day for the East. On the same train were the Royal Dragoons, the Mounted Police and other soldiers bound for the Jubilee ceremonies.

A. Kirkland, manager of the Bank of Montreal in this city, has been appointed manager of the bank at Toronto. Mr. Duchesnay, manager at Lindsay, comes to Winnipeg, and Mr. Paddon, manager at Regina, goes to Lindsay.

A heavy wind storm raged in the province last night. The curling rink and the fair buildings at Pilot Mound were wrecked.

BLOCKED IN THE HOUSE.

The Cuban Resolution Not Yet Taken Up There—The Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The Morgan resolution recognizing the belligerency of the Cuban insurrection, which passed the Senate on Thursday, will not be acted upon by the house this week. This is the decision of the Republican leaders. They have decided to block the resolution until the plans of the President which are now maturing are formulated. The majority will antagonize any attempt to secure consideration with a motion to adjourn until Thursday.

On Tuesday next, ten weeks and a day after the beginning of the session, the Senate will take up the tariff bill, for the passage of which the session was especially called. The bill was to have been called up on Monday, but the death of Senator Earle of South Carolina will render necessary an adjournment for a day.

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Speedy Amateurs Provided Good Sport at the Bicycle Meeting at Vancouver.

Lacrosse Men Want Better Terms on New Grounds—The Lynn Creek Prospects.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, May 24.—Thanks to the amateur contingent, the race meet at Brockton Point this afternoon gave thorough satisfaction to a large concourse. It was a day of close finishes, so close that in three events a dead heat was declared, while the poor condition of the track was responsible for one or two minor accidents, from which the chief sufferer was Tom Spain.

Penwill, of Victoria, created a very favorable impression, his "stealing" of the first heat of the open mile being one of the most skillful wins of the day. He was third in the procession and badly placed as they rounded into the stretch. Then he developed a hurricane finish that was as much a surprise to his friends as to his rivals in the race, and beat Tyler out by a foot. In the final the positions were reversed, the "Yellow Kid," owing to the state of the track, being unable to do himself justice.

Tyler and Marshall made the fight for quarter-mile honors exceptionally keen, running a dead heat twice. Marshall finally conceded the race, but will be heard from soon again to his credit. The scratch men, Tyler and Marshall, also made the two-mile handicap a grand race, working their way through a bunch of fourteen and finishing with a battle royal to the line.

Just when the end of the card was reached George and John Sharick arrived on the scene, having reached Steveston at 4 in the afternoon and ridden across. They came too late for a share of the prizes but secured themselves from suspension, the fate in store for some other professionals who entered, but came not.

SUMMARY.

Novice—Russell won; Campbell, 2; time, 3.12 1-5. Half-mile, professional—Barker won; Lester, 2; time, 1.14 2-5. Quarter mile, amateur—Russ won; Wilband, 2; time, 35 2-5. One mile professional—Lester won; Barker, 2; time, 2.47 3-5. One mile, amateur—Tyler won; Penwill, 2; time, 2 39 2-5. Two-mile handicap, amateur—Tyler won; Marshall, 2; time, 5.17 3-5. Unpaced mile, professional—C. F. Barker, 2.38. Track poor; wind light. Referee, C. H. Gibbons; starter, J. W. Prescott.

The lacrosse club has somewhat serious differences with the committee of the Brockton Point Association, relative to the large share contributed by the Club to the funds of the Association, and also concerning the poor state in which the Association management has recently maintained the turf of the lacrosse ground. Such at least are the complaints of the committee of the Club, as expressed in correspondence and last night also in the course of an animated interview with the Brockton Point management. The lacrosse club asks for a larger share of the receipts on match days, including grand stand admission fees, and also urges that a managing subcommittee of the Brockton Point Association should be formed, which will give greater direct representation to the lacrosse and other chief clubs that use the grounds. The Brockton Point committee has promised to consider the lacrosse club's proposal, and it is hoped that a friendly settlement may be made of a dispute, one result of which has been a decided temporary weakening of the team of the lacrosse club, prominent players of which have been up to the present unwilling to take their usual parts in the championship matches under existing conditions. Some members, in fact, strongly advocate the club obtaining a ground of its own, and assert that a good site can be got on easy terms in the east end of the city and be gradually purchased out of the large gate receipts, from which the Brockton Point Association now derives a very large proportion of its total revenue.

The stock market here is quite demoralized and few stocks are selling at all freely. Most attribute this to the Orphan Boy collapse, in respect of which indignation is general.

A fund has been opened here in aid of the Victoria Order of Nurses under the treasurership of Mr. W. F. Salisbury. A moderate sum will be raised. The first advertised subscription list amounts to $43, and comes mainly from mercantile marine officers and crews.

Active development work is proceeding on gold bearing deposits about seven miles up Lynn creek, North Vancouver, under the auspices of a city syndicate. The greatest interest is naturally felt here in an undertaking that is being conducted so near to Vancouver. Should this and other mining development in North Vancouver succeed, that municipality will never again be troubled in regard to the maintenance of its charter rights, by reason of a lack of resident voters.

KAMLOOPS.

KAMLOOPS, May 24.—Two young men named Moore boarded the Pacific express at Shuswap last night. Nearing Kamloops, and while the train was moving rapidly, both jumped off. The eldest fell on his head, receiving injuries which resulted in his death this morning; the other escaped with minor injuries. The deceased and his brother left Ireland about a year ago and it is understood resided for some time in Manitoba.

The Iron Cap mine, situated about five miles from Kamloops, has been bonded to P. Clark, late president of the War Eagle company at Rossland, for $15,000. Mr. Clark is now here making a thorough examination of the property.

The water in the Thompson river is now falling.

NELSON.

At last week's meeting of the city council Mayor Houston used his veto power for the first time and aroused fierce opposition on the part of some of the aldermen. When the minutes of the previous meeting were read, he announced that he would veto the resolution which permitted the expenditure of money by the public works committee, for public improvements under the direction of the city engineer. He held that all work was under the direction of the mayor, and the resolution usurped his perogatives. A heated discussion occurred in regard to the rights of the mayor, and Alderman Fletcher said he was not willing to serve as alderman if the mayor was to run everything. The veto of the mayor was sustained, although three negative votes were cast. Alderman Fletcher at once tendered his resignation as chairman of the committee on public works, as he did not see "what use the committee was."

The license by-law provides for a fee of $250 every six months for saloons in houses of less than 30 rooms; $150 every six months in houses of 30 rooms or more rooms; $100 every six months for wholesale houses where no less quantity than one pint is sold; $50 for every six months for wholesalers of not less than two gallons; and $100 every six months for restaurants selling liquors.

NEW DENVER.

The Ledge says: Archibald Campbell, late of Rossland, but whose home is in Collingwood, Ont., arrived in Denver about a month ago. Monday morning, in company with Hugh McGillivray, he went to Silverton. The bridge over Carpenter creek was washed away several days ago, and to get across they had to "coon" a log. Returning, Campbell was in the lead and started to walk the log. When over the most dangerous place, where the water was over three or four feet deep, he lost his balance and fell in but managed to lay his hand on the log. McGillivray caught him by the coat and endeavored hard to raise him to the log, but the current was too strong. When McGillivray for a moment loosened his grip Campbell lost his hold and in a moment was carried by the swift current under the logs and debris. A party went to the creek to search for the body, but it was not found and probably never will be recovered. Campbell has relatives at Collingwood, Ont., where he owned some property and was well to do. He was a single man of 28 or 30 years of age.

QUESNELLE.

Interest, says a correspondent of the Ashcroft Mining Journal, has been changed "from earth to heaven." This time it was not the balloon we expect one of these days, but flock after flock of cranes extending the whole length of the sky from horizon to horizon north and south. A few bullets from Winchesters disconcerted the wonderful order in which they moved, but no stray shot touched one of them. These migrating birds are as unearing about the season as they are in their movement in the sky.

There was a splendid fall of rain last week. This will bring grass on finely and help to give a plentiful crop for harvest. More rain fell during three days than all last summer.

The weather has been glorious. On three days of last week the thermometer registered 86 degrees in the shade, but the nights are still occasionally frosty.

ROSSLAND.

At a meeting at Messrs. Rolt & Grogan's office, with 16 of the leading brokers in attendance, on motion of G. F. Whiteman, seconded by Lorn Beecher, it was resolved "that in the best interests of mining in Rossland and British Columbia generally this meeting deems it advisable, and that we now proceed to organize a stock exchange in Rossland in order that the world generally may be able to obtain official and reliable quotations of British Columbia mining stocks." The resolution carried unanimously.

GRAND FORKS.

Grand Forks had for visitors last week W. S. Clouston, of Montreal, chief inspector of the Bank of Montreal; Inspector Rentol, also of Montreal, and Mr. E. Pitt, of Victoria. The object of their visit was to report on the advisability of establishing a bank in this city, and if the drift of their conversation is any criterion their report will be favorable.

GREETINGS TO VICTORIA.

A Graceful Message From the President—The Presbyterian Assembly Too.

WASHINGTON, May 24. — Secretary Sherman to-day sent the following message to the ambassador of the United States in London: "The President desires you to convey to the Queen his sincere congratulations and those of the American people upon the celebration of her 79th birthday."

EAGLE LAKE, Ind., May 24.—At the opening of the afternoon session of the Presbyterian General Assembly, John Wannamaker eulogized Queen Victoria, calling attention to the fact that "Her Majesty attends the Presbyterian church while residing in Scotland, and in some measure belongs to our body, from whom all the Scottish chaplains are appointed." He introduced a resolution, adopted by a rising vote, and reading in part:

"This General Assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America deem fitting and do hereby send most cordial Christian greetings to both the illustrious Christian sovereign and the subjects of her gentle, generous and righteous rule over the destinies of the Empire upon which the sun never sets."

Mrs. Carew Travels.

YOKOHAMA, May 7.—Per steamship Belgic, via San Francisco.—After repeated false reports of her transfer, Mrs. Carew, the poisoner, was taken from the British jail at Yokohama and conveyed on board the Ancona April 25, for Hongkong, it is believed.

Thames Tunnel Completed.

LONDON, May 22.—The new tunnel under the Thames at Blackwell was inaugurated by the Prince of Wales to-day. It is generally regarded as a triumph of engineering skill.

Lock the Door

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THE SCHEMING SULTAN.

Avoiding the Arrangement of Peace in Hope of a March on Athens.

LONDON, May 25.—The Athens correspondent of the Times, says: "The intentions of the Sultan are greatly distrusted here, and it is believed that he is avoiding negotiations for peace through the powers because he wants Edhem Pasha to march to Athens."

The correspondent of the Times at Constantinople says: "The Sultan; when telegraphing to the Emperor William his thanks for the latter's advice, begged him to continue it and expressed the hope that the advice, which was founded upon the strong friendship uniting the Emperor and himself, would show Turkey the way to obtain the full recognition of her rights as a victorious power."

The Times correspondent also says: The powers have instructed their ambassadors to act as their representatives in mediating between Turkey and Greece. A collective note will be handed to the Porte forthwith.

The correspondent of the Standard at Constantinople says: Peace negotiations continue. It is asserted the amount of indemnity will be reduced to £8,000,000, £2,000,000 to be paid in cash to Turkey and £6,000,000 to be accepted by Russia as a part payment of the indemnity owed her by Turkey.

BERLIN, May 24.—The correspondent of the Frankfurter Zeitung at Constantinople says: "Count Nelidoff, the Russian ambassador, made the proposal, as a condition of the international control of the Greek debt, that Russia should take over the Greek indemnity as a set-off to the Turkish indemnity due Russia, but the Sultan will probably refuse, as he wants possession of the cash himself."

PARIS, May 24.—Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria had a long conference to-day with M. Hanotaux, minister of foreign affairs. It is understood that the Graeco-Turkish armistice will be prolonged, if at its expiration the peace negotiations should not be finished.

ATHENS, May 24.—It is semi-officially asserted that Edhem Pasha, the Turkish commander-in-chief, has repeated his statement that peace must be negotiated with him, and is now pressing for the appointment of a Greek plenipotentiary to conduct the settlement of terms. Edhem Pasha has informed the Greek officers who, in conjunction with the Turkish officers, are arranging the neutral zone, that he is empowered to negotiate the terms of peace with Greece direct.

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

Gaudaur a Champion Yet—Marchand's Time Has Arrived.

Lieut.-Governor Chapleau yesterday sent for Mr. Marchand, who had arrived at Quebec, and requested him to form a provincial ministry.

Fire, caused by fire-crackers, did $6,000 damage yesterday to Wm. Simpson's lumber yard on Queen street West, Toronto.

Syracuse defeated Toronto in the Eastern league ball games yesterday, by 7 to 0 in the morning and 9 to 3 in the afternoon, at Toronto.

James Stickles was drowned on Sunday while giving an exhibition of his ability to go over the dam in the Grand river at Brantford.

At Orillia yesterday Gaudaur easily defeated Rogers in the two mile race for the world's championship and $500.

NEWFOUNDLAND NEWS.

The "Arcadia" to Be Docked at Quebec—The Iceberg Crop.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., May 24—Temporary repairs are still being effected in the Hull-Hamburg-American liner Arcadia, which was drawn off the rocks at Cape Ray yesterday and conveyed to Port aux Basques harbor. When these are completed she will return to Quebec, where she will be docked. Her bottom is very leaky and four powerful steam pumps running continuously are needed to keep her free of water.

The brig Julia, from Lisbon, reports that she passed twenty-five immense icebergs on Wednesday last two hundred miles southeast of St. John's, right in the track of the Atlantic greyhounds.

SILVER AT BEDROCK.

The White Metal Down to About the Lowest Ever Touched.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The Journal this morning says: Silver bullion has just sold at 60 cents per ounce, the lowest point it has ever touched, except for a short period in 1894, when it sold at 58 cents per ounce.

The steady decline in silver is attributed to many different reasons. Paris has been fairly flooded with South American dollars, which have been sold there as low as 2 francs 22 centimes for the dollar. The price of silver in the Indian bazaars has fallen to 76 rupees, the lowest price on record. The exchange between London and Shanghai has also fallen to almost the lowest and even at the low rate China does not absorb a large quantity of silver. Dating from the declaration by Japan of its intention to abandon the use of silver as its standard coinage and go upon a gold basis, the price of the white metal has been steadily declining.

NEW YORK, May 24.—Bar silver 60⅛c; Mexican dollars, 47⅝c; silver certificates, 60⅛c.

A FOUR-MASTED schooner arrived in Royal Roads in tow of the tug Sea Lion yesterday afternoon. Dr. R. L. Fraser, the city health officer, was called on by Dr. Watt to board the vessel, but could not secure a launch for the purpose. In consequence he has deferred his trip until early this morning.

ONE more of the lepers who form the Darcy island lazaretto colony has succumbed to his malady, leaving now only six survivors; and two of these are in the worst stages of their disease. Such is the news brought by Dr. Fraser and sanitary officer Chipchase, who made their quarterly visit to the island on the tug Sadie on Sunday. About two weeks ago the death occurred, the leper being among the first taken out to the island. Dr. Fraser says that there is no truth in the report made a few days ago that white prospectors are operating on the island.

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An Interesting Story of How Some Shrewd Britishers Are to Obtain Them.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23.—From Pekin comes an interesting story of intrigue that involves the contemplated investment of several millions of dollars of American capital and illustrates the characteristics cultivated by Englishmen in Oriental countries. Hidden by the shield of diplomacy and within the sacred precincts of the governing powers of China a battle royal between British and American capitalists has been raging for many months.

A few years ago, after the Japanese had successfully conquered their lifelong foes, the great men of China began to realize the importance of entering upon an era of advancement in the arts of civilization. The country must be developed through the construction of a system of railroads. The opportunities for wealth-making would be almost inestimable to the syndicate obtaining the exclusive franchise for constructing and operating such a system. As the personal representative of the Emperor of China in the peace negotiations with Japan at the close of the late war, John W. Foster, formerly secretary of state under Mr. Harrison, was in a position to appreciate the vast possibilities for the profitable investment of American capital. He was not long in casting about to find the right man for the position. A. W. Bash, now of Port Townsend, Wash., but formerly of Mr. Foster's home in Ohio, was the man chosen to enter upon negotiations with the government for railroad development in China. Bash stood well with some of the leading statesmen of that country. Several years ago, during a labor agitation the Chinese were driven from their homes in Rock Springs, Wyo., and Tacoma, Wash. Mr. Bash collected the evidence and presented it to the government in such a way as to secure an appropriation of $100,000 for the evicted Chinese and at the same time earned the everlasting friendship of the Chinese minister at Washington City, Chung Yuen Foon. Subsequently the latter returned to China and was chosen as one of the three commissioners to adjust the terms of settlement of what promised to be a serious entanglement with the Kingdom of Corea. By diplomatic sagacity he won great renown and influence with the young Emperor of China. He was Bash's friend, and is now en route to England to attend the Queen's Jubilee in June, and by his absence from China he is unwittingly jeopardising American interests to the possible value of a great many millions of dollars.

Through the good offices of Mr. Foster, Bash was presented to the great Li Hung Chang. Bash then returned to the United States and proceeded East, where he organized a development company, the membership of which included Senator Calvin S. Brice, Whitelaw Reid, of the New York Tribune, ex-Secretary of State J. W. Foster, Col. Thomas, formerly of Ohio and now of New York, one of the Havemeyers, and several others of equal prominence.

After returning to China and enjoying the confidences of Li Hung Chang and Chung Yuen Foon, Mr. Bash experienced but little difficulty in obtaining a favorable audience with the four governing princes, the next subordinate power to the Emperor himself. Affairs were looking bright for the Americans until an English syndicate came into the field and began seeking the same opportunities. The latter enlisted the services of a well-known and trusted British subject, who had been in the employ of the Chinese government for many years in a confidential capacity. The resident Englishman enjoyed the full confidence of the high officials as gained by many years of service for their government, and he contested every inch of ground with the Americans. In a measure, at times, he was partly successful. However, the long residence of Chung Yuen Foon in the United States had made a favorable impression, and he was decidedly averse to granting too liberal concessions to British capitalists. Recently at Pekin he said to a member of the American legation: "What we want is the investment of American capital and enterprise. Your people are willing to risk their money in the development of our resources and trust to their judgment to reap a harvest. It is different with the English. For every farthing they invest they want the government to secure the principal, pay a high rate of interest and award them the profits derived from the developments."

Diplomacy, skill and intrigue in the hands of shrewd observers are weapons that rarely fail. At the opportune time, while Mr. Bash was in the field preparing data to be submitted to the government, there came a large-sized official envelope from England addressed to His Highness Chung Yuen Foon, containing an invitation to be present and participate in the ceremonies at the Queen's Jubilee, which takes place at Balmoral Castle. The Foreign Office added a brief note saying that the presence of his august highness was so much desired that all of his expenses would be borne by the British government.

The four reigning princes of the imperial household, after mature deliberation, thought it advisable for Chung Yuen Foon, as the ambassadorial representative of the Emperor, to attend the ceremonies. He packed his baggage and with a distinguished suite crossed the Pacific Ocean on the Empress of China to Vancouver and is now in England. "Never mind, Bash," said the ambassador as he was taking his departure, "I have arranged all of that and you need have no misgivings about the future. The English will never get those concessions." Notwithstanding that assurance, it is a matter of general opinion in Pekin that there is a very strong probability that during the absence of the ambassador the English will obtain the desired concessions and the Americans will lose their prestige.

It is well to note that as a token of the esteem and friendship for Her Majesty Queen Victoria, Chung Yuen Foon is the bearer of one of the most valuable collections of rare stones ever presented to a reigning monarch. It is from the Emperor of China, and consists of diamonds, rubies, sapphires and emerals taken from their hidden recesses on the east coast of Asia, and are conservatively estimated to value over £100,000. On the was across from Hongkong Chung Yuen Foon allowed a party of friends on the Empress of China to view the present. It is doubtful if any of the numerous relatives of the Queen herself will present a "birthday gift" of equal value or magnificence.

Railway Across Nicaragua.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, May 23.—For the last three weeks Charles Smith, representing a syndicate of English capitalists has been quietly but actively engaged in enlisting the interest of officials in behalf of a freight railway across Nicaragua, against the American Canal Company's contract. For two months prior to coming here he was in Costa Rica, promoting the same project.

To See Durrant Off.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—Scores of men throughout the state have petitioned Warden Hale, of San Quentin prison, for invitations to the hanging of Theodore Durrant. The warden will endeavor to limit the invitations to the minimum number. It is not thought that more than thirty people will see Durrant die.

Chicago Riot Suits.

CHICAGO, May 23. — Circuit Judge Adams yesterday upheld the constitutionality of the act of 1887, which makes the city liable for loss caused by riot, and awarded the Manhattan Cement Company $150 for two cars of cement destroyed on the Panhandle tracks during the strike of 1894. Suits against the city for a million and a half dollars have been brought by the railroads.

Furnace Collapses.

NEWCASTLE, Pa., May 23.—This morning the big Rosena furnace in this city, owned by Senator Mark Hanna and ex-Senator Cameron, collapsed, and in an instant a heavy volume of coke, iron ore and coal came crashing through the roof of the casting house. Manager Reins was taken out with the skin hanging in shreds from his hands and arms, and his legs were terribly burned and bruised. The others injured are: Samuel Moody, Mike Petro, William Hanna, Joseph Tope, and Frank S. Hard. A half a dozen others were injured, but the above are the worst cases.

Labouchere Backs Down.

LONDON, May 25.—The Standard understands that Mr. Labouchere will withdraw the charges he has made in Truth and before the South Africa parliamentary commission against Rutherford Harris, the confidant of Cecil Rhodes and a leading spirit in the British South Africa Chartered Company, the stock brokers having refused to testify.

Overproduction of Sugar.

LONDON, May 24.—A dispatch to the Times from Buenos Ayres says: The sugar industry is threatened with a severe crisis, owing to overproduction. The excess of available export for the current year is more than 100,000 tons.

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An Italian inventor has produced a machine for shooting vineyard insects to death. The electrocution of chinch bugs and grasshoppers would be a pleasing advance in agriculture.

From all parts of the compass comes a report that every fair day brings out wheelmen in greater force than ever before. If the cycle is a fad, it is still on the ascending scale.

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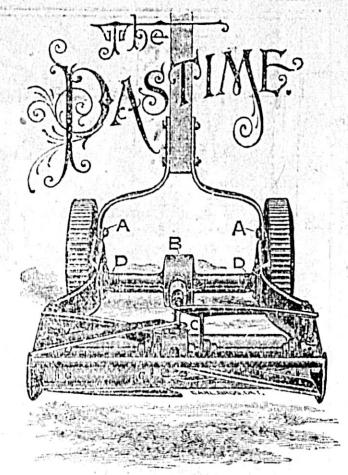

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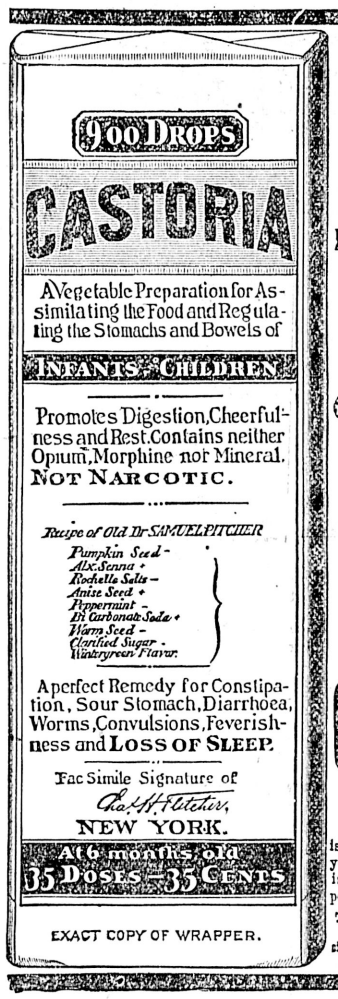

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FROM LIVERPOOL.

The Br. Bk. Allonby

Will be despatched for this port about the end of June. For freight, and all information, apply to R. P. RITHET & CO., LTD. my7

The Chinese government has ordered eleven protected cruisers and torpedo boat destroyers from German shipyards.

The battleship Canopus, building at Portsmouth dockyard, still keeps the lead in rapidity of construction over the other yards. Since January 4, when the first keel plate was laid, 1,975 tons had been worked into the hull up to April 25. This constitutes about one-third of the weight of the hull, and at this rate her launch may be looked for within the present year by a good margin.

It takes years to build a vessel in France of even moderate dimensions. The d'Estrees, a third class cruiser, sheathed, is building at Rochefort, the order for her construction being given July 29, 1896, and the year 1900 being fixed for completion. The d'Estrees is only 2,413 tons displacement, with engines of 8,500 horse-power, calculated to give a speed of 20.5 knots. The estimated cost is $910,711.

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Fare, including meals each way, $10.

my20 JOHN IRVING, Manager.

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TIME TABLE No. 28.

To take effect at 8 a.m on Monday, March 29, 1897. Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

GOING NORTH—READ DOWN.

	Daily	Sat. & Sunday
	A.M.	P.M.
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	8:00	4:00
Ar. Nanaimo	11:48	7:25
Ar. Wellington	12:15	7:45

GOING SOUTH—READ UP.

	Daily	Sat. & Sunday
	A.M.	P.M.
Ar. Victoria	12:30	8:00
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:40	4:33
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	8:15	4:15

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Leave Victoria, Tuesday, 7 a.m.
" Nanaimo for Comox, Wednesday 7 a.m.
" Comox for Nanaimo, Friday, 7 a.m.
" Nanaimo for Victoria, Saturday, 7 a.m.

For freight or staterooms apply on board, or at the Company's ticket office, Victoria Station, Store street. no15-tf

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"	Servia	June 8
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"	St. Paul	June 16
Red Star Line	Southwark	June 9
"	Noordland	June 16
White Star Line	Germanic	June 9
"	Teutonic	June 14
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"	Anchoria	June 12
North Ger. Lloyd	Havel	June 8
"	Bremen	June 10
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Vancouver Route.

Victoria to Vancouver—Daily, except Monday, at 1 o'clock.

Vancouver to Victoria—Daily, except Monday, at 13:15 o'clock, or on arrival of C.P.R. No. 1 train.

New Westminster Route.

LEAVE VICTORIA for New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island—Sunday at 23 o'clock; Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock. Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with C.P.R. train No. 2 going East Monday.

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For Moresby and Pender Islands—Friday at o'clock.

LEAVE NEW WESTMINSTER for Victoria—Monday at 13:15 o'clock; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

For Plumper Pass—Thursday and Saturday at o'clock.

For Pender and Moresby Islands—Thursday at o'clock.

Northern Route.

Steamships of this Company will leave for Fort Simpson and intermediate ports, via Vancouver, the 1st and 15th of each month at 8 o'clock. When sufficient inducements offer, will extend trips to West Coast points and Queen Charlotte Islands.

Barclay Sound Route.

Steamer Tees leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound Ports the 10th, 20th and 30th of each month.

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JOHN IRVING, Manager

G. A. CARLETON, General Agent. Victoria, January 1st.

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THE QUEEN.

Yesterday Her Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria entered upon her seventy-ninth year. She was born at Kensington Palace, May 24, 1819. Her father was Edward, Duke of Kent, fourth son of George III, and her mother Victoria Mary Louisa, daughter of Francis, Duke of Saxe-Cobourg-Saalfield. Her father died when she was eight months old, and she was reared in semi-seclusion by her mother. Probably to this fact the elevated tone of her life and the purity of her court were largely due, for Edward, Duke of Kent, was a man of by no means austere morality, and if he had lived there is no doubt that the surroundings of the young princess would have been very different from what they were.

Only those who are familiar with the history of the courts of Europe during the last century and the early part of the present one can form any adequate idea of the influence of Victoria's example in molding English life. In 1851 Tennyson wrote of her:

> "Her court was pure; her life serene;
> God gave her peace; her land reposed;
> A thousand claims to reverence closed
> In her as Mother, Wife and Queen."

The record of peace was not long unbroken, but peace and prosperity at home, and Imperial expansion abroad, have marked her long and illustrious life. The years of her infancy belong to history. When she was born, Napoleon was still chafing in exile in St. Helena, and in every seaport of the British Isles one might meet the heroes of the Nile and Trafalgar. Thousands of those who took part in the French revolution were still living, and not a few of the leaders of the American colonies in their successful struggle for independence. The world was only beginning to adjust itself to the new conditions which arose out of the social, educational, moral and political revolutions, which had their birth in the eighteenth century. In the nearly four score years which have passed since the little Princess first saw light in Kensington Palace, almost everything that we have in mind when we speak of modern civilization has been developed. For sixty years of this remarkable period the Queen's personal influence has been a potent factor, socially, morally and politically, and it is impossible to say what its effect in these respects may not have been upon the material progress of mankind. The ruler of the most progressive and most aggressive of nations, she proved herself fully equal to the many exigencies of her position. It requires no effort of the imagination to picture what the condition of the United Kingdom, and if of the United Kingdom, then of Europe and the world, would have been if Victoria had not felt in a degree, for which we will look in vain for a parallel, the many-sided responsibility of sovereignty. A woman of strong likes and dislikes, as a queen she has known how to keep her personal feelings in abeyance during the frequent changes in her political entourage. How potent this quality of self-effacement has been can be better understood if we stop to think of what a power the royal name and the royal pleasure are to conjure with even in these most democratic of days. But this self-effacement has only been as to personal preferences. The Queen has never hesitated to assert the influence of her strong personality, of her thoroughly British common sense, of her innate love of justice, truth and righteousness. When a timid maiden receiving notice of the tremendous burden laid upon her by the death of her uncle, William IV, she asked the Archbishop of Canterbury to pray for her, she uttered almost by inspiration the guiding principle of her life—a sense of responsibility under God to the people who acknowledged her as Queen. If we lose sight of this fact, we fail to read the great lesson of this long life, which has been crowned with so much glory and honor, but with nothing so conspicuous as the esteem of the world and the loyal love of the hundreds of millions, who yesterday begirt the earth with prayer that her life may be spared for many another anniversary.

Not the least remarkable feature of this royal life has been her widowhood. She was only forty-two years of age when the Prince Consort died. That is to say almost half her life has been spent in widowhood. There would have been nothing surprising if she had sought another husband; but, with what we can see now was the highest wisdom, she effaced the woman in the queen. Had she chosen another course the history of her Empire might have been very different. Her life as a widow has been spotless, even in "that fierce light that beats about a throne." In some mysterious way "that divinity that doth hedge a king" has surrounded her, to the happiness of her people, to the glory of her Empire and to the advancement of Christian civilization

And so we say once more "God Save the Queen." Long may she reign! Long may she keep

> "Her throne unshaken still,
> Broad-based upon her people's will."

Long may she reign over

> "Our ocean-empire with her boundless homes."

TOLL ROADS.

Speaking of toll roads the Kootenay Mail complains that the COLONIST wants to draw the public into a discussion before taking a decided stand. We plead guilty, and, odd as it may seem to the Mail, are not ashamed of it. All people pass through the veally stage of existence, when they think they know everything and have not sense enough to consult others upon things of public interest, and some people never get over it. But the COLONIST has reached that period of development when it is not ashamed to deal with the public in a spirit of absolute frankness. It has said in plain English that it does not like the idea of toll roads as a general proposition, but as roads are needed more rapidly than the Province can afford to build them, and in places where it may be that the government would not be warranted in building them, it has thought best to propose toll roads as a means of temporarily meeting the exigencies of the case. There is a law on the statute book providing for such roads, but it has not been acted upon in a long time. From several sections of the Province requests have come for permission to build such roads, and it is very desirable that there should be an expression of public opinion on the subject. The Mail thinks the idea is "antiquated." So it is; so is a pack train; but even antiquated things may be very much better than nothing at all. The question is not what we would like to have but what we can get. We propound a few questions to the Mail:

Is it desirable that the government should build a road to every mining camp or group of claims?

Is it desirable to permit private individuals to build roads for their own convenience?

If private individuals build roads for their own convenience ought not other persons desiring to use them pay for the privilege of so doing?

Is it better to have no road at all than a toll road?

Can the provincial revenues stand the expense necessary to build every road needed during the next few years in the mining regions?

We frankly admit that we would like to know just how people regard these questions, and if this is a crime we are criminal. But we fancy that people, who have a modicum of good sense will agree with us that it is desirable to have a general expression of opinion on questions of this nature before acting upon them.

DURING the debate on the estimates Col. Prior asked if it was the intention of the Postmaster-General to appoint a postmaster at Esquimalt who was a telegraph operator, and was informed that no application had been made to the department to that effect. As we pointed out a few days ago, a telegraph station at Esquimalt would be of very considerable value to the navy and other interests there, and the C.P.R. is ready to put up the necessary line if the postmaster there can handle the business, which would not be large enough to warrant the company in putting an operator there. The answer of the Postmaster-General leaves it to be inferred that a request for a postmaster at Esquimalt who understands telegraphy would be entertained.

THERE was some criticism at Ottawa of the expenditures at Rideau Hall. These are considerable, but we suppose must be expected. We can hardly ask our governor-generals to keep up the official residences, and since the country must do it everyone wants it to be done decently. So that there is not wastefulness about matters of this kind there will be no serious opposition to them. The Liberals when in opposition were accustomed to make considerable capital out of the Rideau Hall expenditures, but they have probably seen the error of their ways in this and some other respects.

SENATOR McInnes is doing admirable work in agitating for a Canadian Mint. He recently addressed a meeting of the Ottawa Board of Trade on the question and made an excellent impression. The idea is a very good one and appeals to the business instincts and patriotic sentiment of the people. It is to be hoped that the government will see its way clear to act upon the suggestion. Let us have Canadian gold converted into Canadian coins at a Canadian mint.

PLEASANT news comes from the Hawaiian Islands in re the Pacific Cable. It is said that the Dole government has concluded to accept the proposals of the British company and grant permission to land the cable on the islands. This, if it proves to be correct, will undoubtedly hasten the laying of the cable.

THE exports of gold from the United States to Europe is due in part to the fact that several of the European governments have lately been accumulating gold, and in part also to the great falling off in wheat shipments as compared with a year ago.

WE print a letter signed "Mechanic" on the proposed plebiscite. He presents one aspect of the case with fairness and good temper. This is the spirit in which this very important issue ought to be discussed.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

THE UNCERTAINTY OF MINES.

"Gold is where you find it," has become a modern prospector's axiom, and not without good reason, for valuable mines are now being worked which have been tramped over for months by supposedly well-posted mining men, and carefully turned down in the past by the experts.—Revelstoke Herald.

HEINZE MAY BUILD IT.

According to reports which the World received from Ottawa there is strong hope that construction on the line of the Penticton and Boundary Creek railway will be commenced at an early date. That section of the province is suffering, and that seriously, for the lack of railway facilities. It is likewise learned that strong pressure is being brought to bear on the administration to render such assistance to Mr. Heinze as will enable that gentleman, by taking advantage of the $4,000 per mile subsidy granted by the provincial government, to make an early start on the undertaking.—Vancouver World.

THE ROSSLAND STOCK EXCHANGE.

The disincorporation of the stock exchange, unless it is quickly followed by the incorporation of another, will do Rossland incalculable harm. Eastern investors will be confirmed in the belief that they are to be jobbed. If Rossland had had an exchange before the fictitious values had been obtained for several different mining stocks, the present depression would have been avoided. The value of mining stocks cannot be fixed by the holder. The purchaser must and will say what he will pay, and the sooner a fixed value is placed upon stock the sooner there will be a demand for them upon the open market.—Rossland Record.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"Going to ask your girl out to supper after the show, old man?"

"Yes. Don't you think she looks nice enough to eat?"—Detroit Journal.

"Did I understand you to say that you didn't have any company in the kitchen while I was out, Katie?"

"Yis, mum; that's what I said."

"But I smell the tobacco from a pipe all through the house."

"Yis, mum; the policeman was in for half-an-hour, mum; but we were in the parlor."—Yonkers Statesman.

"Will beer be any higher if that tax is levied on it?"

"Nein," answered Mr. Weinhandel. "It vill be lower in die glasses, already."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Well, whom did you gossip about at your whist club to-day?"

"Every woman was there; we had to play whist."—Chicago Recorder.

"I'm mighty glad my wife coaxed me into getting her a wheel," said the lean passenger.

"Makes her happy, eh?" said the fat passenger.

"She is so struck on riding that she is not going to clean house this year"—Indianapolis Journal.

His Lordship—'Pon my word, now really Miss Rosebud, I cawn't make up my mind at all, you know!

Miss Rosebud—Yes, I should think you might find it difficult with no material to start on.—New York Times.

Scrofula is a word you don't quite understand, but if you talk with your doctor, he will tell you that it is generally believed to be due to the same cause which gives rise to Consumption. It appears mostly in those who are fat-starved and thin, usually in early life. A course of treatment of Scott's Emulsion with the Hypophosites wherever Scrofula manifests itself, will prevent the development of the disease. Let us send you a book. Free.

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Texada City Townsite.

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Lots in blocks numbered 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 14 will be sold at $100 each for corner lots, and $75 each for inside lots.

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THE Sons of St. George, including all lodges in the city, met in the A.O.U.W. hall last night and spent a convivial time, with song, instrumental music and other forms of entertainment.

THE fireworks and band attraction at Caledonia park last night drew a very large gathering in spite of the chilly evening air, and the affair, likewise the fireworks, went off very well, even though the meteoric set piece was by a premature ignition burned up before the proper time came.

NOTWITHSTANDING the number of excursions to the country and other counter-attractions in the city, a large number of old and young spent a most enjoyable afternoon and evening yesterday at the garden party given by the Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's church, Victoria West, on the manse grounds, Frederick street.

OWING to the rapid development of the province, the demand for more post offices is coming in from places where a few months ago only the wilderness existed. It is probable that two new post offices will be established by the beginning of June, one at Deer Park, on Lower Arrow lake in West Kootenay, and the other to be called Van Anda, at the now famous mining camp on Texada island.

ONE of the most important matters to come before the city council this evening will be the letter of the tramway company in regard to the modification of the tramway regulation by-law. It is understood that one of the intentions of the company is to double track Government street, and that instead of using steam to generate their power, they may transmit it from water-power obtained outside the city.

IN selecting last evening for a social and dance in celebration of the Queen's Birthday, the Companions of the Forest made a decidedly popular move, for their entertainment was splendidly patronized. Wolff's orchestra was heard at its best, the supper provided was all it should have been, and a merry party filled the cup of everyone's pleasure. The programme was diversified with pretty tableaux and songs by Mrs. J. Dudgeon and the little Misses May Wolff and "Baby."

MR. LONGFIELD, the new organist of St. John's, is a great acquisition to musical circles in Victoria, his wonderfully fine playing at the recital at the church on Sunday evening showing what a mastery he has over the instrument. The selection was from Mozart's First Mass. Mr. Longfield played the organ and his son, Mr. Jesse A. Longfield, the violin, with good effect. Besides the instrumental music Miss Stoddart and Mr. Ives sang Love Divine, and Mr. Ross Monro Resignation (Lindsay).

IN the window of the Poodie Dog restaurant, Yates street, are exhibited the first strawberries in the market this year. There is a very promising outlook for a fine crop of strawberries this season, but the weather has as yet been hardly warm enough to bring the fruit to maturity. On the Washington side, the condition of the weather for the ripening of a perfect berry has been better, it is said, than for five or six years, and it is to Washington that Victoria will no doubt look for her first supplies. Cherries should also be plentiful this season, and some of the orchards close by the city indicate an early and abundant yield. Other small fruits, though a little backward, look well and promise good crops.

PICNICS, private and public, were the order of the day yesterday, and every congenial spot in or about the city for miles saw the holiday man, woman or child with the inseparable lunch basket. The largest gatherings of the day, however, were to be found at Sidney, up the Arm and at Cordova Bay. At Sidney hundreds of boys and girls, together with many older folk, spent a pleasant day on the sandy beach of that pretty railroad terminus. The picnic was under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of St. John's church and the V. & S. trains going to and from the grounds were taxed on every trip. At Cordova Bay the Christian Endeavorers of the First Presbyterian church were encamped, while up the Arm the Epworth League of the Centennial Methodist church were to be found in strong numbers.

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Letter From the Viceroy About Canada's Contribution to the Famine Fund.

The following is the text of a letter received by the Governor-General of Canada from the Viceroy of India:

VICEREGAL LODGE,
SIMLA, April 8th, 1897.

MY DEAR ABERDEEN:—I have often thought of writing to let you know from myself how much we all have appreciated the sympathy and generosity of Canada. We have been taking stock of our position on passing the grand total of a crore of rupees, and though our grateful thanks are due to friends all over the world, still, outside Great Britain, Canada stands first in the aid which has been sent us. Perhaps you will pardon me if, as a Canadian-born, I mingle a little pride with my gratitude.

I have no doubt that we owe much to your own kindness, for I know how a calamity like ours would appeal to you; but from papers I have seen it seems clear that the movement in our favor has been a popular one in every sense of the word, and that cannot fail to enhance the value of the gift.

I think I am entirely justified in saying that so far as the government is concerned we are fully prepared for all present possibilities. Indeed in many districts the worst strain is probably over. They have had a fair spring crop, and by the end of next month they will be busy preparing for the summer crop. These agricultural operations at once relieve the situation; for, as I heard it put the other day, what we have had to deal with has been more of a labor famine than a food famine.

The small proprietors and occupiers of the land have, generally speaking, been able to subsist, though hard pressed by high prices; but they have been unable to employ or feed their laborers; and it has been for this class that in most cases we have had to provide relief works. Except in the districts which have suffered most severely, e. g. from the failure of more than one crop, there seems to be no apprehension that a good monsoon will not restore matters to pretty much their normal condition. But one of the chief advantages of the large charitable fund that has been raised will be that we shall be able to put the poorer cultivators, whose credit is exhausted, into a position to take full advantage of a favorable season, by providing plough, cattle, seed, and other necessaries of that sort.

There was a talk at one time of our having to import grain from America—but as yet the necessity has not arisen. There was a good rice crop in Burma, and it has been very useful; but though we have watched very closely, we have not as yet detected any sign of a general failure of food supplies. I have to-day a letter from Sandhurst, in which he gives a reassuring account in this respect of the worst districts in the Bombay presidency. If there was to be another failure of the monsoon over anything like the same area, we should have a very different state of things, and we should certainly have to take from you and everybody else all that could be spared; but in the meantime there is no reason to think that anything so dreadful is impending.

I am inflicting rather a long letter upon you; but I thought you might like to know a little of the view I take of the situation. I don't know how you get any news of Indian affairs—I suppose through London—and many of the accounts which are, to say the least, not distinguished for accuracy or impartiality. I think, however, that all are now beginning to recognize, what I have known for months, that the officers on the spot have been working throughout with a devotion and self-sacrifice that could not be exceeded.

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The friends and admirers of England's king of basses say of the eminent vocalist that his heart is as big as his voice. A few years ago, when taking his customary vacation after a hard season's work, Signor Foli found himself at Monte Carlo. Rich and poor alike are to be seen at this world-known resort, some taking part, others looking on, at the gaming tables. A young Italian, Ferrari by name, had staked his all, and, as in most cases, had utterly ruined himself in his desire to get rich by a chance of fortune. The young fellow's plight having come to the ears of the illustrious singer, he made the statement that he would sing "Rock'd in the Cradle of the Deep," provided one hundred of the company present would contribute one guinea each, which was to be handed to Ferrari if the latter made a promise that he would never gamble again. An adjournment was immediately made to the concert room in the great building, and when a count had been taken of the receipts, it was found that Ferrari had profitted by Signor Foli's generous thoughtfulness to the extent of over £300 sterling. No living bass can sing Knight's favorite ballad as Signor Foli sings it, and he will by the special request of Messrs. Vert and Harriss contribute "Rock'd in the Cradle of the Deep" as one of his encore numbers at the Victoria theatre to-morrow evening.

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Death From Smallpox on the "Sam Mendel"—Fire on Shipboard.

Over twenty passengers have been ticketed to leave on the steamship Mexico, sailing for Alaska early this morning, and in addition to these there is promise of ten others, who will embark here. Several of these are young men from the East, who are bound North to join the many fortune-seekers in the Yukon gold fields. Others are from near home and have outfitted here for extended mining expeditions. In the matter of cargo the ship's accommodation will be wholly utilized, a large portion being devoted to a miscellaneous freight for Northern mining camps from Simon Leiser of Co. of this city. The Mexico has coal from New Whatcom for the government at Juneau, commercial coal for Juneau, fifty head of live stock and other general freight for the different points where she will call. On the 8th of next month the excursion business to Alaska will begin with the sailing of the Queen which will as usual be devoted exclusively to this traffic for three months ending August 18, at which date she will be due back on her fifth and last trip of the season. The Alaska Commercial Company's steamer will sail from Sitka for Unalaska, in Behring sea, 1,200 miles distant on or about the 8th of each month making close connections with the City of Topeka at Sitka as she has for the past few months. A round trip is made in from 25 to 30 days, three days of which time is spent at Unalaska, from where a side-trip is made to the Boqesloy Volcano, 40 miles distant. Stoppages are made at Yakutot, Prince William's Sound, Cook's Inlet, Kodiak, Karluk and Unqa. The rate for round trip fare from Sitka, including berths and meals on the boat, are $120 for cabin and $80 for steerage passage.

THE "SAM MENDEL'S" TROUBLE.

The sickness aboard the British bark Sam Mendel, in quarantine since Saturday, is an attack of smallpox, which Capt. Lewis, the master of the vessel, has now about recovered from. On leaving Antofogasta for British Columbia there was a passenger on board who was on his way North to mine. A few days after leaving this man fell sick with smallpox and on the 10th day out died. A week later Capt. Lewis took sick of the same disease, but his trip having occupied over 50 days his case had plenty of time for development, and in consequence he is now considered out of all danger. On arriving at quarantine the ship and her crew were put through the regular courses and it is not probable that she will be detained long. Mr. Van Rheim, the proprietor of the Globe hotel, who with the owner of the launch which bore him out to the vessel just as Dr. Watt was making his examination of her, was taken to quarantine, was allowed his liberty again after getting a sulphur bath and being vaccinated. In addition to the smallpox excitement there was a special attraction out at William Head yesterday morning in the shape of a small fire, which fortunately was extinguished before damage was done. The fire was aboard the Sam Mendel, and the Lorne was summoned by telephone, but luckily by the time she was ready to leave the outer wharf another telephone message was received stating her services were not required.

THE "BOSCOWITZ" LEAVES.

It will require very little freight from Vancouver to give the steamer Barbara Boscowitz, sailing from here last evening, a full cargo for Northern British Columbia ports. It is a mixed load she carries, and the bulk of the freight is cannery supplies. Among her passengers were: Rev. Dr. Ardagh and wife, of Metlakatla; Mrs. Crossby and child, Capt. Harris and S. Pierce. Capt. Harris was one of the passengers to arrive on the Boscowitz last week, and he is returning North, it is understood, with the object of taking the schooner E. B. Marvin, of which he is master, down from Port Simpson to the West Coast.

THE FRISCO STEAMERS.

Voyagers from San Francisco on the Walla Walla yesterday morning outnumbered by several those sailing for the Bay City on the City of Puebla in the evening. The Walla Walla arrived at 7 o'clock and, having considerably over 200 tons of freight to land, was detained longer than usual in port. A list of her passengers has already been published, while a list of those leaving on the Puebla is as follows: Miss Wilson, Miss Falkner, Mrs. E. S. Swift and two children, Mrs. L. E. Erb, Miss F. Demmerliff, Sister M. Stephen, Sister M. Seraphim, Sister Pudmticom, Sister M. of the Passion, J. H. Martin and Mrs. Martin. Among the Puebla's passengers from the Sound were 16 sailors off the U. S. man-of-war Oregon, now at Seattle, who are being transferred to San Francisco. Their appearance on the street created the impression that an American cutter was in port.

MARINE NOTES.

Capt. Strongram's new freighting steamer Oscar returned from her second trip in service yesterday loaded down with coal. She had been to Rivers Inlet with 100 tons of cannery supplies, and completed the whole in the good time of eight days.

Tug Mamie, Capt. Smith, which has been doing some towing work at Chemainus, returned to port yesterday.

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THE PLEBISCITE

About the Direct Taxation That Would Result From Prohibition.

TO THE EDITOR:—Your leader in Friday's issue of the COLONIST and under the head of "The Proposed Plebiscite" is of vital importance to every citizen. The collection of $8,000,000 less the present cost of collecting the same will make a material difference in the system of taxation if prohibition is adopted, but after all it is the people who pay the taxes and such a change would simply mean the shifting of $8,000,000 now paid by those who drink and distributing it equally over the whole population, each one of which having the right to contribute their just proportion towards the government of the country. In another column Mr. Laurier is reported to have pointed out forcibly that "if the people of this country want prohibition they must prepare to pay $8,000,000 in direct taxes" and that "there will be large additional taxation for all the temperance people of the country." Suppose the prohibitory liquor law to go in force in 1898 and a direct tax levied on those who contributed the $8,000,000 in 1897 to make good the loss to the revenue of the excise and duty, which would be the darkest picture that could be portrayed against such a proposition; but even then, allowing the direct tax in lieu of the customs revenue to be one-fifth of the drink bill, the man heretofore spending $100 for drink would pay over and above his ordinary taxes $20 but would have $80 to spend on little shoes, school books or back debts as the case might be, but much less a hardship would it be when every citizen contributed his just proportion. According to Mr. Laurier the chief sufferers would be the temperance people, but even they will be more than compensated by the lessening of contributions to charitable institutions besides the many who now squander their means in drink will be able to pay their bills. If the friends of prohibition only are appointed as police your suggestions regarding the cost of policing the whole country may be modified. As to how the municipal revenue would be affected, I refer you to "Glasgow, Its Municipal Organization and Administration," by Sir James Bell, Lord Provost of Glasgow, page 110, where he states: "It is safe to say that were the drink eliminated from the city at least three-fourths of the duty of the magistrates would disappear, for it cannot be doubted that the bellicose and outrageous behavior of a large portion of the fighting and rioting offenders is directly due to the excitement and recklessness caused by undue indulgence in alcoholic stimulants. Eliminating the drinking and fighting elements and putting aside the hopeless habituals whom the police have always with them, the criminals and offenders of Glasgow are reduced to a fractional proportion of the inhabitants." From a financial standpoint, which is the lowest aspect of the question, there are weighty arguments in favor of prohibition, and if the press will take the pains to fully inform the public on both sides of the question, the friends of prohibition will hail with delight the addition to the influences now at work in favor of good government.

MECHANIC.

TRAIL-ROBSON RAILWAY.

An Important Link in the Highway Through Kootenay About Completed.

The new standard gauge railroad from Trail to Robson will be completed in five or six weeks, says the Rossland Miner. The road starts on the plateau on which is built the Trail smelter, and here there is abundant room for the yards, which are now being laid out. Nearly the whole of the smelter plateau will be occupied by the smelter works and the two railroads that terminate there. After the road crosses Stony creek it finds an easy grade down to the river bank, which it reaches in about two miles. When the grade gets down to the river's level, that is on to the first bench above the mines, the ascending grade is the same as that of the river, which is scarcely perceptible, and this it keeps all the way to Robson. Mr. Tye, the chief engineer of the road, was fortunate in having for most of the distance an easy country through which to locate his line. Any close observer is immediately impressed with the thought that the road has been built for permanency and heavy traffic. It is thoroughly substantial in all its details and when it is finished it will be a credit to British Columbia.

The scenic features will be excellent. Starting north from Smelter hill, above Trail, the traveler over this line will have the beautiful Columbia far below him to the right, while beyond are some high and very picturesque mountains. By and by he will get down close to the great river and ride along it west bank, crossing every now and then a roaring mountain stream coming down from the high snow-clad ranges to the west. It will be an attractive ride all the way up to Robson.

What the road is going to do when it gets to Robson is a question not yet answered. Perhaps it is to go on to Boundary and perhaps not. We shall know pretty soon. One thing is certain—so well constructed a road as this was never intended simply to run between Trail and Robson.

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The more development work is done upon Texada island, the greater has become the certainty that upon the island there are other properties besides the now famous Van Anda and the Victoria mine that will turn out remarkably well and bring up the amount of ore shipped soon to very large proportions. Among these properties are the Raven and Copper and Gold Company's group consisting of the Raven, Joan and Chief and the Spratt Copper & Gold Company's claims, the Sampson, Peacock and Iron Mask. All of the development work done by these two companies has been placed upon the Raven, it being the first of these claims located. The shaft on the Raven is now down 65 feet, with 8 feet of ore, from which two satisfactory shipments have been made. A correspondent writes:

"I am informed that the assay value of the ore from the shaft runs $42 per ton. Tunnel No. 1 has been driven in 125 feet on the south of the creek and about 85 feet lower than the outcrop at the shaft. On the north side tunnel No. 2 was driven 65 feet to crosscut the vein which it intersected. They then tunnelled to the left and drifted on the vein, and last week were in 35 feet in 6 feet of fine copper ore with only the hanging wall in sight. This wall pitches to the south and has a dip of about 80 degrees. A shaft and ore house, fan and blacksmith shop have been completed, and the site for the engine is being levelled. A good wagon road has been built from the bay 1,000 feet to the Raven shaft, and also extends further south to the Samson and Joan discoveries.

"The Raven shaft is about 100 feet above sea level, the formation being porphyry and iron capping carrying copper pyrites. On the Samson and Joan the iron capping shows fine copper pyrites on the surface. The largest iron outcrops are seen upon the Chief and Iron Mask. The Raven lead, as it is now called, has been located by actual surveys for one and a half miles, and claims have been staked on the extension running southeasterly for three miles. The prospectors have travelled the lead and found iron capping for five miles, the last find being the Faith and Charity, staked by Messrs. Cotton and Heyland.

"Timber is plentiful and easy of access, and McLeod creek, which flows through the Raven property, affords good water power for the various purposes for which it may be needed. On the adjoining properties, the Butterfly, Woodpecker, Castaway, Sandfly and Comet, the individual owners are busy doing their assessment work and have struck good copper ore. Now that the north end of the island is about all staked, the prospectors have begun to work towards the south end and quite a number of locations have been staked during the past two months. The weather is now settled and the prospectors are increasing in number."

The progress in mining development on Texada, and the certainty that there will be very lively times there in the future, has led to the plotting of a townsite, and the lots are now upon the market. The name of the town is Texada City. It is on Sturt bay, which is practically the only harbor on the island, and closely adjoins the Van Anda mines, which will ship from it. A good wharf is now in course of erection at the bay, and a beginning has been made at road-making. A hotel is in course of erection, and it is to be a present to the first three hundred purchasers of lots who will themselves decide as to the manner in which the ultimate ownership of it shall be settled. One of these 300 purchasers will own the hotel, which will cost $5,000. There ought to be a good town on Texada island. Almost every steamer brings word of new discoveries. One of the latest is a seven-foot ledge of gold and copper ore. One sample assayed $40 in gold. It has not yet been tested for percentage of copper, but the indications are that it will run very high. The fortunate owners are Messrs. Bray and Stanton. Mr. Bray is government agent at Nanaimo and Mr. Stanton deputy registrar. Two other gentlemen are associated with them. Everything at present indicates that Texada's time has come.

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1—At Beacon Hill Park.
2—At Beaver Lake.

Each tender must be accompanied by a certified cheque, payable to the City Treasurer, to the amount of the tender.

Cheques will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers.

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WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the City.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C.,
May 21st, 1897. my22

Notice to Contractors.

SEALED TENDERS properly endorsed, will be received by the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to noon of Wednesday, 2nd June, for the erection of an addition to the Asylum for the Insane, at New Westminster, and other works.

Plans and specifications can be seen, and forms for tender obtained, at the office of the Government Agent, New Westminster, and at the office of the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department.
Victoria, B.C., 20th May, 1897. my22

Asylum for the Insane, New Westminster.

TENDERS, endorsed "Lunatic Asylum," for the supply of clothing, bread, meat, milk, vegetables, groceries, coal and wood, etc., for the use of the said institution, from the 1st of July next to the 30th day of June, 1898, will be received by the Honourable the Provincial Secretary until noon on Thursday, the 10th proximo.

Lists of the articles required can be seen at this office and at the asylum, at which latter place samples can also be inspected.

All supplies to be delivered at the asylum without extra charge.

Security for the due performance of the contract will be required in each case.

A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.
Provincial Secretary's Office, 19th May, 1897.
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TENDERS

Wanted for the purchase of *Lots 37, 38, and 39* of Suburban *Lot 19*, Victoria City, and the one story frame dwelling situate thereon, being *No. 17 Putnam Street.*

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Persons infringing this regulation are liable to a fine of Fifty Cents for each infraction and to have the water shut off without notice.

JAMES L. RAYMUR,
Water Commissioner.
City Hall, 28th April, 1897. ap29

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NOTICES.

High School Entrance Examination.

EDUCATION OFFICE.
May 17th, 1897.

The annual examination of applicants for entrance to a High School will be held in the High School Building, Victoria, commencing on Wednesday, the 26th inst., at 9 a.m.

Candidates must be punctual.

S. D POPE,
my18 Superintendent of Education.

EDUCATION OFFICE,
VICTORIA, 5TH MAY, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual examination of candidates for certificates of qualification to teach in the Public Schools of the Province will be held as follows, commencing on Friday, July 2nd, 1897, at 8:45 a.m.:—

Victoria.....In South Park School Building
Vancouver.....In High School Building.
Kamloops.....In Public School Building.

Each applicant must forward a notice, thirty days before the examination, stating the class and grade of certificate for which he will be a candidate, the optional subjects selected, and at which of the above named places he will attend.

Every notice of intention to be an applicant must be accompanied with satisfactory testimonial of moral character.

Candidates are notified that all of the above requirements must be fulfilled before their applications can be filed.

All candidates for First Class, Grade A, Certificates, including Graduates must attend in Victoria to take the subjects prescribed for July 12th and 13th instants, and to undergo required oral examinations.

S. D. POPE,
my7 Superintendent of Education.

NOTICE TO JOINT STOCK COMPANIES.

THE following section, numbered 161, of the "Companies Act, 1897," relative to the issue of a free miner's certificate is published for the information of JOINT STOCK COMPANIES,

JAMES BAKER,
Minister of Mines.
Provincial Secretary's Office,
14th May, 1897.

161. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section 4 of the "Mineral Act, 1896," or section 4 of the "Placer Mining Act, 1891," or elsewhere in the said Acts or other the mining laws of the Province, no free miner's certificate shall be issued to a Joint Stock Company for a longer period than one year, and such certificate shall date from the 30th day of June in each year; and every free miner's certificate held by a Joint Stock Company at the passing of this Act shall be valid and existing until and shall expire on the 30th day of June, 1897. Upon applying to renew any such certificate on or before the said 30th day of June, the Joint Stock Company shall be entitled to a rebate of a proportionate amount of the fee paid for a certificate heretofore issued according to the further time for which it would but for this section have been valid. my19

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.
Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.
On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.
Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:
Three-fifths of one per cent, on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.
One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.
Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.
Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.
Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH.
Assessor. and Collector.
January 2nd 1897. ja12

NOTICE.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Reservation placed on Crown Lands, situated at Frederick Arm, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette, and dated 1st November, 1895, is rescinded, in so far as, but no further than, it relates to a certain parcel of unsurveyed land which may be approximately described as follows:—Commencing at a point on the shore of the north end of Frederick Arm, situated about half a mile west of the entrance to Estero Basin; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains, more or less, to the shore line, and thence east, following the shore to the place of commencement containing 160 acres, more or less.

GEO. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 7th April, 1897. ap

NOTICE.

We hereby give notice that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the city of Victoria, at its next sitting, for a transfer to Alex. Cameron of the license now held by us, to sell wines, beers and spirits by retail, upon the premises known as the Rock Bay Hotel, situated corner of Work and Bridge street. ALEXR SIMPSON.
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NEWS OF THE MINES.

A Half-Million Cash Transaction Reported—Slocan Properties in Demand—Le Roi Dividends.

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SPOKANE, May 22.—The Le Roi directors, at a meeting held to-day, declared a dividend of $25,000. This is the thirteenth since October, 1895, and makes a total of $400,000 distributed among the lucky stockholders. The dividend is payable May 29. At the meeting reports of an assay made from the spar of the Black Bear tunnel showed the value to be $2,888 per ton. They have a five-foot vein of this ore. The tunnel runs from the Black Bear claim into the Le Roi property, hence the name. A decision was made to erect a smelter, but the location has not yet been fixed.

THE WHITEWATER SOLD.

KASLO, May 20.—The Whitewater mine has been sold to the Puget Sound Reduction Company of Everett, Wash., for $500,000 cash. The deal has just been closed, I am informed on the very best authority, but no official announcement of the sale has yet been made. Representatives of the Everett smelter have made careful examinations of the mines several times lately and are satisfied they have acquired one of the best mines in the Kaslo-Slocan country. The Whitewater mine only came into prominence about a year ago. The first important work was done it in 1893. Manager J. C. Eaton, who owns one-third of it, and therefore receives over $160,000 for his interest, has always had the utmost faith in the mine, and to his energy is mainly due the successful development of the property. The other owners of the mine were: J. L. Retallack, J. L. Montgomery and W. C. Pierce, all of this city. The mine produces both galena and carbonate ores, the former averaging over 200 ounces of silver and 50 per cent. in lead and the latter 150 ounces in silver and 20 per cent. in lead. It has paid from the grass roots and its fortunate owners have already received large sums in dividends. It was not incorporated.

TRANSACTIONS NEAR KASLO.

A Kaslo special to the New Denver Ledge date May 19 says: During the past week there have been seventy-five licenses issued, eleven assessments recorded and seventy-five locations added to the list. The transfers for the week show some important deals. James E. Bingham, of Kaslo, sold to Henry Croft, of Victoria, the Boston and Cuba claims for $2,500. These claims are on Schroder creek, on the west side of the lake. Henry Croft also bought of Thomas Melrose, of Kaslo, the Eldorado claim, on the east side of the South Fork of Kaslo creek, for $1,250. A $40,000 bond was given on the Black Diamond and Little Donald, two valuable claims situated about a mile southwest of Ainsworth.

The Tennessee, Mayflower, Consolidated, Sunflower, Vanderbuilt, Tiger, Nancy Hanks, Edy Marsh, Mollie Marsh and Clarence Marsh have been turned over by H. C. Ross, Neil Gilchrist, James A. Spiers, Geo. T. Hone, Guy Reeder, John J. Flood, Hugh Dohney, C. L. Marsh and Geo. C. Marsh to the Leviathian Gold Mining & Milling Co., Ltd. Men have been started to work to cut a trail to claim No. 7, the Sunflower, where the mining operations will be begun by driving a cross-cut tunnel at a depth of 250 feet. The new company has been incorporated with a capital stock of $2,000,000, one-half of the stock to be held in escrow in the bank of B.C. for one year to be placed on the market as the money required for prospecting the claim will be put up by the original owners. The provisional directors are Jas. C. Spiers, Guy Reeder, Geo. T. Kane, pres., and Geo. C. Marsh, sec.

SLOCAN PROPERTIES DESCRIBED.

Alexander Dick, of Rossland, recently visited the Slocan in the interest of the company of which he is general manager—the Maritime Exploration Company.

"The two most notable developments in the Slocan lately," he says, "have been in the Payne and Best. In the former they expect to have $3,000,000 worth of ore in sight when they get the lower tunnel completed, and in the latter they now have $300,000 worth of ore blocked out, as the result of the expenditure of $10,000 in development work. A lot of quiet development work has been done on the Vancouver group, recently floated in London, and the property is looking very well. The Wakefield, owned by the Bremner syndicate of Glasgow, Scotland, has developed into a very promising property, and A. H. Bremner, the head of the company, is expected to arrive this week. Altogether the outlook for Silverton, which has quite a boom on, appears to be very bright.

"Slocan City has grown largely since my last visit and fully 200 people are living under canvas. Two new townsites have been started on Lemon creek—one on the railway five miles south of Slocan City, and the other, to be known as Summit, about fifteen miles back from the railway. This last townsite is right among the mines located last year in the gold belt. The townsite company is about to build a trail up Lemon creek.

"The new C.P.R. steamer is to make her first trip between Rosebery and Slocan City on the Queen's birthday. A new launch has also been placed on the lake recently by Mr. Bengerfield, and is a great convenience to mining men who wish to reach outlying points between the regular steamer trips."

THE BARKERVILLE GOLD DEPOSITS.

The Cariboo Gold Fields Company are not at work on their drainage tunnel for the past few weeks, on account of water, expecting the old workings to drain off and leave less water to encounter in the breast of the tunnel.

A payment of $5,000 was made the first part of the month on the properties being prospected by the French capitalists at Barkerville. Some of the quartz ledges on which work has been done have not proved their value to be sufficient to justify further work; but on the B.C. Ledge, crossing Lowhee gulch, the workings have revealed a very satisfactory grade and body of ore. Mr. F. Enders has gone on to France to make a personal report of the condition of affairs. The father of Mr. Enders is said to be the largest single investor in the Exploration Company.

The various placer claims in this vicinity are nearly all at work. Last season was a more favorable one than before for many years. It now looks like a vigorous revival of placer and drift mining.

The reports from Willow River are most encouraging, and while it is not known to the public what the value of the gravel in the old channel, it is believed to be all that could be expected. Mr. Laird is personally superintending the work, and there is no water to give trouble. It is expected other operations of this class will be undertaken.

QUESNELLE FORKS.

Parties have been here within the past week looking over the property of the Victoria Consolidated company, and it is expected that work will be pushed on this property this season.

At the Golden River Quesnelle works quite a number of men are still at work, but the most of the men have been let out owing to high water. The closing of the ponderous gates, weighing each 9,000 pounds, when the dam is built will be watched with absorbing interest by the people of this section. The work has been of great benefit to the residents of this section, and to laboring men. To the latter the manager has been most considerate. Even when it was not desirable to increase the force, it is said no man that tramped his way up in search of work was turned away without at least a few days' work.

At the Cariboo mine 2,000 inches of water is being steadily thrown with tremendous force against the heavy banks of gravel, and forcing it down through the flumes. The sluices, when the water is turned off, shows large quantities of amalgam in place, and the ground showing for the mine is first-class. As is often said of this magnificent property, when the time comes the dividend will be astonishing, for no good mine ever opened, not barring the famous Bloomfield, with its record of $115,000 in a single washup, is the equal of this property, and the work is done in such a manner that permanence and durability is the result. The mine will make a good output this season, but will not reach high water mark in production yet for several years, until the bottom gravel is brought up.

VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES.

It is gratifying to know that the National scheme for the commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee by the establishment of the Victorian Order of Nurses in Canada is making rapid progress and meeting with warm approbation on all sides. Mrs. Drummond, wife of the Hon. Senator George A. Drummond, in an address recently delivered upon the subject, dwelt strongly upon the fact that the establishment of such an order was a profound necessity in Canada, particularly in remote districts, where lives were sacrificed on ranches, in lumbering settlements, on farms, and in mining places for lack of a little timely aid. Mrs. Drummond stated that she received many letters from the Northwest upon the subject, expressing the great eagerness of the people in that country for the establishment of the Victorian Order of Nurses; many clergymen and their wives offering homes at their paraonages to such nurses as might be sent. "Nor need we go so far away," said the speaker, "for evidence of the necessity of such an order; because at our very doors, amongst the poor, are countless instances of aggravated suffering and loss of life through lack of nursing aid."

"Perhaps," said Mrs. Drummond, "the scheme appeals specially to women, because they have suffered and they know; but after all, I think this appeal touches the men closely. We all know that women are brave for themselves; but we know that men are cowards indeed where the sufferings of their wives, mothers, sisters, or daughters are concerned; and nothing touches the strong man so closely as that special burden of suffering which is laid upon the weak."

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"Yes, I am Mrs. Dobell," said a comely, pleasant-faced woman at her home on Horton street to a News reporter to-day, "and I will very gladly tell you what you want to know. About three years ago my husband was very ill, and I had frequently occasion to rise in the night and go for a doctor or to the druggist. In my hurry I often neglected to properly clothe myself, and contracted several heavy colds, which turned at last to chronic catarrh. I tried doctors, who helped me, but did not cure me, and several special catarrh medicines. I was relieved but not cured. I was suffering intolerably when Mr. Shuff recommended me to try **CHASE'S CATARRH CURE,** and it began at once to help, and in about two months had entirely cured me. I cannot speak too highly of this remarkable medicine, and cheerfully recommend it to all sufferers from catarrh." The blower included is a great help to sufferers.

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connection with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

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OF THE FUTURE PROSPECTS Of the District, but few words are necessary. Three Lines of Railway are projected to and through this property. The Spokane Falls & Northern are reported to be ready to build in the spring; the Columbia & Western Line, as may be seen at the Lands and Works Office, is projected through the land; The People's Line from the Coast also passes this point, and the C.P.R. Surveyors have run lines through the land during the past year.

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Crystal Sky Columns.

An explanation of a curious optical phenomenon sometimes witnessed on frosty nights which is called the "pseudo aurora," is offered in Science by Mr. Goode of the Chicago university. The phenomenon takes the form of beautiful columns of silvery light standing over electric arc lamps and other bright lights and sometimes appearing almost to reach the zenith. Mr. Goode says that sometimes the evening star has a bright shaft below as well as above, while the rising moon stands in a broad column of light. These appearances are due to floating frost crystals which keep their reflecting faces horizontal. On examination he found that the crystals concerned in the exhibition were thin six sided plates of ice, never more than one millimeter in diameter. When the wind blows, these little plates are upset, and the columns of light, caused by reflection from their surfaces, disappear.

A Pin In His Heart.

The old time idea that the slightest touch of a foreign substance on the heart means certain death was shattered years ago. One of the most remarkable cases ever heard of, however, was that described in a paper read before the Association of American Physicians some years ago by Dr. Peabody. It was of a case where a pin was found in a human heart after having been there for an indefinite period. The point of the pin was distant above five millimeters from the external surface of the heart. The pin seemed eroded and was broken by the scissors in dissection, without becoming displaced. There was no evidence of recent local inflammation, but that part of the heart in the neighborhood of the protruding head of the pin was greatly thickened and snow white and firmly adherent to the edge of the head.

His Sales.

"How's business?" asked one street fakir.

"Not very brisk," replied the other. "Sold anything?"

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MEETINGS.

NOTICE.

The public are requested to take notice that Mr. W. J. R. Cowell, of the Metallurgical Works and Assay Office, is the sole owner and manager of the same and that he has no connection with any other assayer or assayers, person or persons, in the city or elsewhere.

DUMBLETON & INNES,
Solicitors for the Victoria Metallurgical Works and Assay Office. my18

NOTICE—The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Van Anda Copper & Gold Company, will be held at the office of the Company, Room 613, Bailey Building, Seattle, Wash., on Tuesday, June 1st, 1897, at 1 p.m.

Dated May 15th, 1897,

my18 R. D. HALL, Secretary.

Special Notice.

Residents of Victoria having books for binding will find it to their advantage to call at or write to "The Colonist," Binding done at Eastern prices. Work guaranteed satisfactory in every respect.

"Land Registry Act."

In the matter of the application of Maurice Humber, of the City of Victoria, for a certificate of indefeasible title to subdivisions five (5), ten (10) and eleven (11), Topaze avenue, Victoria city, being part of section five (5), Victoria district, (Map 5), and to lots one (1), two (2) and three (3), block T, of the Work Estate, being part of section four (4), Victoria District.

Notice is hereby given that a certificate of indefeasable title to the above lands, will be issued to Maurice Humber on the 10th day of July, 1897, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or in some part thereof

"S. Y. WOOTTON,"
Registrar General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B. C., March 31, 1897. ap1

NOTICE—I, the undersigned, hereby give notice of my intention to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the city of Victoria, at their next sitting for a transfer of the retail liquor license of the Jubilee Saloon, No 41 [on the south side] Johnson street, city of Victoria, B.C., to Joseph Ball, of the said city of Victoria, the present lessee. Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 8th day of May, 1897.

R. SLOAN, Late Licensee.
F. E. NEUBERGER, Landlord.
By His Attorney-in-Fact,
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THE THERMOMETER.

ESQUIMALT STATION, May 23, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	47·	Mean 54·	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	45·		
9 a.m..	56.	Highest 68·	5 a.m.—Calm.
1 p.m..	62·		1 p.m.—24 S.
5 p.m..	65·	Lowest 44·	9 p.m.—16 S.W.
p.m..	52·		Cloudy. Sunshine—1 h 42 m

Barometer 9 a. m.... {Observed .... 29.995 {Reduced..... 29.913

ESQUIMALT STATION, May 24, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	50·	Mean 53·	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	48·		
9 a.m..	55·	Highest 61·	5 a.m.—12 S.W.
1 p.m..	60·		1 p.m.—12 S.W.
5 p.m..	55·	Lowest 47·	9 p.m.—12 S.W.
9 p.m..	48·		Rain—0.00. Cloudy. Sunshine—3h 18 m.

Barometer 9 a.m... {Observed ..... 30.025 {Reduced 29.981

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BIRTH:

CHURCH—On Sunday, May 23, at Victoria College, Beacon Hill Park, the wife of J. W. Church of a son.

DIED.

MCCONNAN—At the residence 113 Menzies St., Henry Gordon McConnan, aged 26 years.
Due notice of funeral will be given.

RUSSELL—In this city, on the 21st inst., of pneumonia, Jane T., beloved wife of R. J. Russell, Esq., and youngest daughter of the late R. H. Swyny, M.D., County Limerick, Ireland, aged 53 years.
The funeral will take place from her late residence, "Springfield House," Russell street, Victoria West, on Tuesday, May 25, at 2:30 p.m. Friends will please accept this intimation.

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ASTOUNDED THE PRINCE.

How a Former Victorian Did Duty for the Brains of the Chronicle.

Mr. Frank Higgins, who has just returned from a business trip to San Francisco, says he met quite a number of old Victorians in the Golden Gate city. Among these was Mr. Thomas Burnes, jr., who is now librarian for the fine reference library which the San Francisco Chronicle keeps. As in large newspapers now-a-days there is in this library books and references on almost every conceivable subject, and in the midst is "Tommy" as guardian of the precious volumes. It is not long since a distinguished Russian Prince, with his suite, visited the Chronicle building and was conducted through the establishment by the proprietor, Mr. De Young, who, in his affable way, explained to the wondering Muscovites the method of conducting a big newspaper. Entering the library Mr. De Young, with a comprehensive wave of his hand towards the book shelves, said:

"Here are the brains of the establishment."

The visitors gazed about and, their eyes resting on the comely features of Mr. Burnes, they appeared to recognize in him the great master mind of the Chronicle, and bowed low before the genius.

"Tommy," the ever ready, having had intimation of the expected visit, had every work dealing with Russian affairs close at hand in the library, so as to be prepared for the occasion.

Did the Prince wish to test the capabilities of the library, his host asked. If so, would he kindly call for some reference upon any topic connected with his country.

The illustrious visitor complied, and Mr. Burnes, after a moment's thought, ran nimbly up a ladder to the shelves and brought down the book. Two or three time on request the test was made, and "Tommy" without hesitation produced the work called for.

"Wonderful, wonderful," exclaimed the astounded Russ, whose eyes had been growing larger and larger. "No wonder Mr. De Young addresses you as the Brains of the Chronicle!" and Prince and suite bowed low again to Mr. Burnes before making their exit with the dumbfounded proprietor.

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SPORTS OF THE DAY.

Vancouver Vanquishes the Blue and White by Three Goals to Two.

Albions Ahead at Cricket and Victoria's Gun Teams Win at Oak Bay.

"The best team won," was the verdict of those who saw yesterday's lacrosse match—Victoria vs. Vancouver. This, the opening match of the season, drew an audience to Caledonia park which must have made glad the hearts of the management. The play was a bit ragged, but as this is the first lap, so to speak, in the race for the pennant, better form was hardly to be expected. The boys from the Terminal City showed much better combination than their competitors, and to this they owe their victory. A synopsis of the different games follows:

The first game opened with a scrimmage in centre, and in a few moments Bland, securing the ball, dropped it in front of goal. The play surged behind the flags, where Campbell passed out to Stevens. He tipped to Wilson, who made the first shot at the flags. Quann stopped it beautifully. After some hard work Ken. Campbell scored first for Vancouver. Time, 7 minutes.

In the second game Victoria returned the compliment taking their first goal in exactly the same time as Vancouver had done. It was varied by a little unpleasantness between Quann of Vancouver, and Snider of Victoria, both being sent to the rails to cool their heels for that game. Williams and Ken Campbell tried to score but Belfrey the reliable, relieved and a moment later Bland had a shot at the visitors flag, but the ball went wild. Finally F. Cullin secured passed to George Coldwell, who scored for Victoria. Time 7 minutes.

From the face off in the third game McIntyre secured for Vancouver after a short scrimmage and some combination play between W. Bland, Coldwell, Snider and F. Cullin was spoiled by Smith getting the ball out of danger for the time being. The ball was then worked up field towards Victoria, but S. Norman returned it. Reynolds, who played a rattling game for the visitors, got it passed to Dave Smith and he to Wright, then Williams and Ken. Campbell, the latter trying at the flags, but his shot went high. Out of a scrimmage C. Cullin secured the rubber, but lost to Quann. There were several lively scrimmages and both teams being well warmed up the game was hotly contested. Vancouver's superior combination, however, came out ahead, the ball passing from D. Smith to Hardman, then to Williams and McGuire, the latter scoring for Vancouver. Time, 19 minutes.

Smith in the fourth game got the advantage from the start, with the resulting combination of Williams to McGuire, but the latter's shot at the flags went high. Ken Campbell dropped it in front again and Hawman got a shot, but Belfry relieved. The ball was worked down on Vancouver's flags, where F. Cullin secured it and passed to Coldwell, who dropped it in front, and R. Campbell carried it through. Time, 2 minutes.

The customary ten minutes wait was dispensed with and in the first few minutes J. Bland nearly scored. Vancouver had a couple of narrow shaves but promptly made things hum round Victoria's goal for a short time, S. Norman stopping a fine shot from W. Hawman. Bob Campbell from near centre made a fine sprint down field with the ball and passed to Coldwell but George shot wild, and then McIntyre passed it from behind the flags to Williams, who gave S. Norman another chance to show his merits as a goalkeeper. In the end the ball went up field from Quann to Smith to Hawman, then to Williams and McGuire, who put an end to the suspense. Time, 18 minutes.

With 17 minutes to play, the home team made every effort to win, but the visitors' defence was too strong for them, the score at the end of time being 3 to 2 in favor of Vancouver.

SUMMARY.

Game.	Won By.	Scored By.	Time.
1	Vancouver	K. Campbell.	7 mins.
2	Victoria	Coldwell	7 "
3	Vancouver	McGuire	19 "
4	Victoria	R. Campbell.	2 "
5	Vancouver	McGuire	18 "

THE RACE FOR THE PENNANT.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.
Vancouver	2	1	1
Westminster	1	1	0
Victoria	1	0	1

THE RING.

HOW THE CHAMPION FELL.

NEW YORK, May 23.—The instantaneous photographic reproductions of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight was last night presented for the first time at the Academy of Music. A large white cloth was stretched across the proscenium arch and the figures was presented thereon life size. The spectators saw an accurate reproduction of the contest, marred somewhat by the unsteady movement of the photographic plates. The chief interest centered on the question as to whether Fitz fouled Corbett in the last round while Corbett was down. The presentation on the screen was so vibrant and unsteady, however, that no accurate judgment of the nice point could be determined, particularly as Fitzsimmons' back was toward the camera when he struck the final blow. The general opinion was that no foul occurred. The spectators, after Corbett was pictured as down, called out: "Where was the foul?" This was accompanied by shouts of "There was none. There was no foul." The presentation as a whole was wonderfully vivid.

BASEBALL.

LEAGUE GAMES OF YESTERDAY.

At Chicago—Chicago 1, New York 4.
At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 4, Brooklyn 6.
At Cleveland—Cleveland 9, Philadelphia 8.
At Louisville—Boston 5, Louisville 3.
At St. Louis—St. Louis 8, Washington 13.

THE RIFLE.

A MATCH YESTERDAY.

Another characteristic shooting day at Clover Point was experienced by the Victoria riflemen yesterday, when a match was shot between Sergt. Gibson's and Sergt. McDougal's teams. The scoring was high when the strength of the wind is considered, its velocity approaching 30 miles an hour. The enthusiasm shown by old shots in going out to the range on such a day deserves encouragement, but the practice by recruits, under the same circumstances, has a very discouraging effect on them. Two picked teams competed with the following result:

SERGT. M'DOUGALL'S TEAM.

Bomb. Richardson	79
Mr. Barker	78
Sergt. McDougal	77
Gr. Hall	74
Corp. Lettice	68
Gr. Naftel	61
Gr. Duncan	54
Sergt. McLean	53
Gr. Pepketh	49
Total	593

SERGT. GIBSON'S TEAM.

Sergt. Winsby	84
Sergt. Bailey	75
Sergt. Gibson	70
Gr. Goodwin	70
Gr. Lyons	69
Bomb. Fletcher	67
Corp. Bundey	65
Sergt. Russell	49
Lieut. Hibben	42
Total	591

THE GUN.

THE BIRTHDAY TOURNAMENT.

The Victoria Gun Club held their shooting tournament at the Oak Bay grounds yesterday under a strong SW. wind, which probably accounted for some rather poor scores, though taking it all through the shooting was very good. C. W. Minor made the highest average for the day's shooting, and including the average in events 1, 2 and 3, broke his 96 out of 110. The following is the score:

Team Shoot.—In this event, in which the possible was 150 birds, Victoria entered two teams and Vancouver one. The results were:

Victoria, No. 1—C. W. Minor, 44; B. H. John, 44; F. S. Maclure, 38; total, 126.

Victoria, No. 2.—W. H. Adams, 41; H. N. Short, 40; W. Bickford, 38; total, 119.

Vancouver — Capt. Thompson, 43; —, Sweet, 38; J. C. Maclure, 27; total, 108.

Event No. 1.—In this event the possible score was 15 birds. There were several ties as will be seen: C. W. Minor, 14; O. Weiler, 14; E. Wall, 13; F. S. Maclure, 13; B. H. John, 13; W. H. Adams, 13; — Sweet, 12; Dr. Gatewood, 11; W. H. Lenfesty, 10; E. Doran, 10; R Jackson, 10; C. Maclure, 10; J. Morrison, 10; W. Bickford, 9.

Event No. 2—In this the possible score was 20 birds:

C. W. Minor, 19; R. Jackson, 18; Dr. Gatewood, 16; W. H. Adams, 16; F. S. Maclure. 16; J. Morrison, 15; Capt. Thompson, 15; — Sweet, 15; E. Doran, 14; O. Weiler, 13.

Event No. 3—In this event the possible was 15 birds.

W. H. Lenfesty, 12; O. Weiler, 12; B. H. John, 12; E. Wall 11; F. S. Maclure, 11; W. H. Adams, 11; R. Jackson, 10; Dr. Gatewood, 10; E. Doran, 10; C. W. Minor, 10; Capt. Thompson, 9; J. Morrison, 9; — Sweet, 9; J. C. Maclure, 7; R. Short, 6.

Event No. 4.—This was a consolation match for those not winning prizes in events 1, 2 and 3:

J. Morrison, 8; J. Trace, 5.

Event No. 5.—This was a ten bird sweepstake, in which Capt. Thompson made the full score:

Capt. Thompson, 10; C. W. Minor, 9; O. Weiler, 9; B. H. John, 7; F. S. Maclure, 7; Dr. Gatewood, 7; J. C. Maclure, 7; W. N. Lenfesty. 7.

For the general average in events 1, 2 and 3 C. W. Minor, with 43 out of 50 birds, won the silver trophy presented by F. S. Maclure, and J. Trace, with the lowest score 24 out of 50, got the booby prize, a nice hat presented by Mr. S. Sea.

Among others who presented prizes to be competed for were J. Hutcheson & Co., Barnsley & Co., E. G. Prior & Co., Short & Sons, H. Clay, Erskine, Wall & Co., Weiler Bros., E. A. Morris, W. Bickford, B. Williams & Co.

CRICKET.

ALBIONS BEAT NANAIMO.

The match between the Albion Cricket Club and Nanaimo took place yesterday on the Albion ground, and wickets were pitched at 11 a.m.

The Albion team went in first and ran the score up to 65, of which H. Martin made 21 by good cricket. He was accorded poor support, until Porter came in and stayed with him while he made the majority of his runs.

On Nanaimo going to the bat, York and Schwengers carried all before them, and dismissed the side for 30 runs. Nanaimo then went in a second time and made 16 runs for 5 wickets, leaving the Albions victors in the first innings by 65 to 30 runs.

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The Striking Tailors.

NEW YORK, May 23.—No meetings were held at the headquarters of the strikers to-day and quiet prevailed. Strike leader Schoffeld said that the executive board of the tailors had held a meeting and decided to give permission from to-morrow on to strikers to make settlements with the manufacturers. In all the cases the agreements signed must provide for only fifty-nine hours of work weekly. The manufacturers must guarantee an increase of 15 per cent. over last year's scale. He said one manufacturer who employed 250 persons would open his shop on Tuesday under that agreement. The Lithuanian tailors, numbering about 1,200, will strike to-morrow. That will make the total number of strikers about 21,000.

An Ambitious Italian.

BOSTON, May 23.—Prince Luigi bars all Americans from his expedition to Mount St. Elias. The Appallachian Mountain Club is greatly interested in his expedition, but it will not take part in it. Correspondence has been maintained between Sella, the Italian, and Prof. Fay, of the Appalachian Club. In one of these letters Sella says: "The young Duke is jealous to keep for his expedition all exclusively Italian character, and would be sorry should anything occur to make it appear otherwise."

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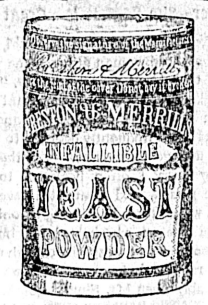

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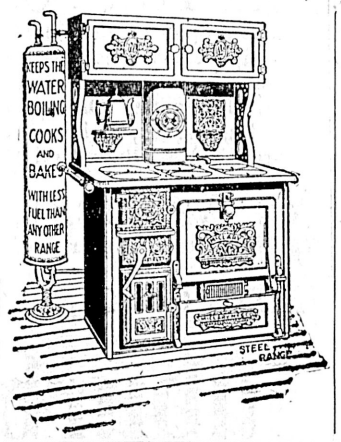

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